the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 390 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 158; Pages H2631–33, H2638–39

Providing for the conveyance of the Bureau of Land Management parcels known as the White Acre and Gambel Oak properties and related real property to Park City, Utah: H.R. 838, to provide for the conveyance of the Bureau of Land Management parcels known as the White Acre and Gambel Oak properties and related real property to Park City, Utah;

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Arthur V. Watkins Dam Enlargement Act: H.R. 839, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the feasibility of enlarging the Arthur V. Watkins Dam Weber Basin Project, Utah, to provide additional water for the Weber Basin Project to fulfill the purposes for which that project was authorized, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 159; and Pages H2634, S2639

Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Amendments of 2007: H.R. 1006, to amend the provisions of law relating to the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:01 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H2637

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Redesignating the Ellis Island Library on the third floor of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, located on Ellis Island in New York Harbor, as the "Bob Hope Memorial Library": H.R. 759, to redesignate the Ellis Island Library on the third floor of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, located on Ellis Island in New York Harbor, as the "Bob Hope Memorial Library".

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the lives of United States Armed Services members lost in Iraq. Page H2638

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 253, electing Representative Moore (WI) to the Committee on the Budget. Page H2639

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2643.

Senate Referrals: S.J. Res. 5 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and S. Con. Res. 14 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2637–38, H2638, and H2639. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings FINANCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions held a hearing on OMB. Testimony was heard from Robert J. Portman, Director, OMB.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Employment and Training Administration/ Office of Job Corps/Veterans Training/Vocational and Adult Education. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Emily Stover DeRocco, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Esther R. Johnson, Director, Office of Job Corps; and Troy Justesen, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; and Charles S. Ciccolella, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Training Administration, Department of Labor.

SELECT INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Intelligence Oversight met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Reconnaissance Office Budget. Testimony was heard from Donald Kerr, Director, National Reconnaissance Office, Department of Defense

CLIMATE CHANGE SCIENCE INTERFERENCE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on Allegations of Political Interference with Government Climate Change Science. Testimony was heard from James Connaughton, Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; James Hansen, Director, Goddard Institute for Space Studies, NASA; Philip Cooney, former Chief of Staff, Council on Environmental Quality; George Deutsch, former Public Affairs Officer, NASA; and a public witness.

GULF COAST HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules, Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for consideration of H.R. 1227, Gulf Coast Hurricane Housing Recovery Act of 2007. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Financial

Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services, modified by the amendment printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill as amended shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of further amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill as amended, and no further amendments shall be in order except those amendments printed in Part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution.

The rule provides that the further amendments made in order in Part B may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report except for clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank of Massachusetts, Representatives Corrine Brown of Florida, Biggert and Neugebauer.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the United States Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the future years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to continue hearings to examine economic and safety concerns relating to promoting travel to America (Part II), 10 a.m., SR–253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Innovation, to hold hearings to examine energy innovation, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Stephen Jeffrey

Isakowitz, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 126, to modify the boundary of Mesa Verde National Park, S. 257, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of establishing the Columbia-Pacific National Heritage Area in the States of Washington and Oregon, S. 289, to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, S. 443, to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, S. 444, to establish the South Park National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, S. 500, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of the National Museum of the American Latino to develop a plan of action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino in Washington, D.C., H.R. 512, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of the National Museum of the American Latino to develop a plan of action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino in Washington, D.C., S. 637, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Chattahoochee Trace National Heritage Corridor in Alabama and Georgia, S. 817, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide additional authorizations for certain National Heritage Areas, and for other proposes; and S. Con. Res. 6, expressing the sense of Congress that the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located in Jackson, Wyoming, should be designated as the "National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States", 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to receive testimony on identifying needs, partnerships, and resources relating to a competitive education, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Chad and the Central African Republic, focusing on the regional impact of the Darfur crisis, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Sub-committee on Retirement and Aging, to hold hearings to examine the state of Alzheimer's disease research 100 years later, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to continue hearings to examine Medicare doctors who cheat on their taxes and efforts to address the problem, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine combating war profiteering, focusing on investigating and prosecuting contracting fraud and abuse in Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine monopoly or competition from new technologies relating to the XM-Sirius merger, 2:15 p.m., SD–226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.